

ORDINANCE NO. FY 2025-26-103

THE FREMONT PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT
LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

**AN ORDINANCE LEVYING TAXES FOR LIBRARY
PURPOSES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027**

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WHEREAS, the Board of Library Trustees of the Fremont Public Library District, Lake County, Illinois, is a public library district exercising power pursuant to 75 ILCS 16/1-1, et seq., the Public Library District Act of 1991; and

WHEREAS, the Illinois Municipal Budget Law, 50 ILCS 220/1, et seq., as amended, and the Illinois Public Library District Act, 75 ILCS 16/30-85 and 75 ILCS 16/35-25, provide procedures for the passage of an annual Tax Levy Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, based on the estimate of tax levy established by Resolution No. FY 2025-26-102, the Secretary of this District has caused a Notice of Proposed Property Tax Increase to be published in the Daily Herald, a newspaper of general circulation published in the taxing district, October 10, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Library Trustees conducted a public hearing to explain the purpose and reasons for the proposed property tax increase on October 23, 2025.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE Board of Trustees of the Fremont Public Library District, Lake County, Illinois, as follows:

Section 1. A tax in the amount of \$5,800,000.00 be and hereby is levied upon all taxable property within the corporate limits of this District; said tax to be levied to defray the expenses and liabilities of this District for the specific objects and purposes indicated as follows:

	FY26-27
I. LIBRARY FUND	
1. PERSONNEL	
SALARIES	\$ 3,050,000
GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE	\$ 330,000
CONFERENCE/EDUCATION/TRAVEL	\$ 7,000
TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT	\$ 10,000
PROFESSIONAL FEES	\$ 5,000
STAFF RECOGNITION & APPRECIATION	\$ 10,000
FICA	\$ 250,000
TOTAL PERSONNEL COSTS	\$ 3,662,000
2. BUILDING OPERATING EXPENSES	
ELECTRICITY	\$ 100,000
GAS	\$ 40,000
GARBAGE REMOVAL	\$ 16,000
HOUSEKEEPING	\$ 65,000
TOTAL BUILDING OPERATING COSTS	\$ 221,000
3. OUTSIDE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	
LEGAL SERVICES & NOTICES	\$ 5,000
OTHER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	\$ 10,000
ACCOUNTING SERVICES	\$ 20,000
PAYROLL PROCESSING	\$ 23,000

AUDIT	\$	13,000
PROCESSING FEES – CREDIT CARDS	\$	700
TOTAL OUTSIDE PROFESSIONAL COSTS	\$	71,700
4. LIBRARY MATERIALS		
PRINT MATERIALS	\$	250,000
ELECTRONIC MATERIALS/DATABASES	\$	400,000
AUDIO VISUAL	\$	70,000
TOTAL LIBRARY MATERIALS COSTS	\$	720,000
5. PROMOTIONS		
LIBRARY PROGRAMS/SUPPLIES	\$	65,000
PUBLIC RELATIONS/GRAPHICS	\$	65,000
OUTREACH/VOLUNTEER	\$	2,000
TOTAL PROMOTIONS COST	\$	132,000
6. LIBRARY OPERATIONS		
SUPPLIES - OFFICE	\$	45,000
TECHNICAL PROCESSING	\$	40,000
SUPPLIES - CIRCULATION	\$	10,000
REIMBURSABLES	\$	3,000
POSTAGE	\$	5,000
COPY MACHINES	\$	15,000
SMALL EQUIPMENT/FURNITURE	\$	12,000
TELEPHONE	\$	15,000
TOTAL LIBRARY OPERATIONS COSTS	\$	145,000
7. AUTOMATION		
COMPUTEREQUIPMENT/SOFTWARE	\$	165,000
COMPUTER MAINTENANCE/REPAIR	\$	65,000
CATALOGING	\$	79,000
INTERNET	\$	17,000
TOTAL AUTOMATION COSTS	\$	326,000
8. INSURANCE COSTS		
GENERAL LIABILITY	\$	44,000
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION	\$	10,000
WORKERS COMPENSATION	\$	15,000
BONDS/CRIME COVERAGE	\$	4,500
TOTAL INSURANCE COSTS	\$	73,500
9. CAPITAL EQUIPMENT/FURNITURE	\$	25,000
TOTAL LIBRARY FUND EXPENSES	\$	5,376,000
II. IMRF FUND	\$	50,000
III. BUILDING & MAINTENANCE FUND		
BUILDING MAINTENANCE	\$	202,000
MAINTENANCE SUPPLIES	\$	60,000
CAPITAL PROJECTS	\$	85,000
WATER	\$	25,000
TOTAL BUILDING FUND EXPENSES	\$	372,000
IV. Recapture Funds	\$	18,843
TOTAL TAX EXPENDITURES - all funds	\$	5,817,043

Section 2. The Secretary of this Board shall file, on or before the last Tuesday in December, a certified copy of this levy ordinance with the County Clerk of each county affected by this levy; and the Secretary of this Board shall also timely file certified copies of this ordinance with the library or libraries operated by this District, and make said ordinances available for public inspection at all times.

Section 3. Upon filing said certified copy hereof with such County Clerk, the rate percent shall be ascertained and the tax extended as provided by law against property in this district, and the tax so levied and assessed shall be collected and enforced in the same manner and by the same officers as the general taxes in this District and County, and shall be paid over to the Treasurer of this Board by the officers collecting the same.

Section 4. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval according to law.

PASSED by the Board of Library Trustees of the Fremont Public Library District, Lake County,

Illinois on the 23rd day of October 2025, by vote of:

AYES: MacKay, Pflug Mounce, Wilmes, Smogor, Clapp, Corbett, Kendall

NAYS:

ABSENT:

APPROVED:

/S/ Laurie MacKay, President

ATTEST:

/S/ Sharon Smogor, Secretary

State of Illinois

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County of Lake

CERTIFICATE

I, Sharon Smogor, do hereby certify that I am the duly qualified Secretary of the Board of Library Trustees of Fremont Public Library District, Lake County, Illinois, and as such am the keeper of the records and files of the Board of Library Trustees of the said District.

I do further certify that attached hereto is a full, true and complete copy of a certain ordinance passed, approved and adopted by the Board of Library Trustees on this 23rd day of October 2025, captioned:

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I do further certify that the deliberations of the members of said Board of Library Trustees of Fremont Public Library District on the adoption of said ordinance were taken openly; that said meeting was held at a specified time and place convenient to the public, that the vote on the adoption of said ordinance was taken openly; that notice of said meeting was duly given to all newspapers, radio or television stations and other news media requesting such notice; and that said meeting was called and held in strict accordance with the provisions of **“An Act in Relation To Meetings,”** approved July 11, 1957, as amended, and that said Board of Library Trustees has complied with all of the applicable provisions of said Act and its procedural rules in the adoption of said ordinance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto affix my official signature and the seal of said Fremont Public Library District this 23rd day of the month of October in the year 2025.

/S/ Sharon Smogor, Secretary

**TRUTH IN TAXATION
CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE**

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that I am the presiding officer of the Board of Library Trustees of the Fremont Public Library District, and as such presiding officer I certify that the levy ordinance, a copy of which is attached, was adopted pursuant to, and in all respected in compliance with the provisions of 35 ILCS 200/18-55 through 18-100, the "Truth in Taxation" law.

/S/ Laurie MacKay, President

Subscribed and sworn to before me this
23rd day of October 2025

/S/ Rebecca Ingram, Notary Public